Zoning Enforcement

The zoning inspector continued to investigate complaints about possible Zoning Ordinance violations. Over 753 initial and follow-up inspections were conducted in order to determine if violations exist. Complaints had A 27% decrease in 2009 to 251 as opposed to 2008 when 341 complaints were filed.

Violation of the Zoning Ordinance are enforced through civil citations and fines. The imposition of fines is used as a deterrent and is not intended to be a revenue generator for the County insofar as ensuring compliance with the land use regulations. As last resort, some cases are adjudicated through the District Court.

Zoning Violations Inspections	<u>Total</u>	Percentage of Total
Zoning Certificate/Permit Compliance & Follow-up	150	59%
Nuisance	48	19%
Site Plan Conformance	3	1%
Home Occupation	23	10%
Real Estate Signs	0	0%
Miscellaneous	27	11%
Total	251	100%